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July 22d.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

OF

REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court

of the State of Delaware, in and for New

Castle county, made the 2nd day of April, A.

D. 1876, will be exposed to sale at public

auction, at the Hotel of George Whitfield, in

the town of New Castle, on

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17th, 1876,

at 11 o'clock, A. M.,

The following described lands and tenements

being the residue of the Real Estate of

late of Michael Denning, deceased, to-wit:—

All that tract and parcel of land situate in

Red Lion Hundred, New Castle county and

State aforesaid, bounded and described as

follows: beginning at a stone on the west

side of Buck road, corner for John Marcy and

these premises, thence with said Marcy's land

said road south 38° 32' east 5 84-100 per-

ches, thence south 50° 50' east 4 32-100 per-

ches to a stake, thence north 38° 32' east

8 8-100 perches to a stone, corner for John

Select Poetry.

THE LITTLE HATCHET.

A NEW AND TRUE VERSION OF AN OLD STORY.

Line of great men all read it—

For I had finished it—Longfellow.

When Washington was young, and not

As yet his country's savior, and not

An axe for him his father bought,

Reward of excellent behavior.

Well loving what he drank and ate,

That hatchet in a corner handy,

A row of Cherry Trees had set,

Suggesting him, and Pie and Brandy.

Armed with his little Tomahawk,

George to that orchard forth did sally,

And root and branch and leaf and stalk

He mutilated gloriously.

His father, wild, though not with joy,

To see his darling Fruit Trees wither,

Crooked his forehead at his boy,

And said to him, "Sirrah, come hither!"

Straightway to him the archieled,

And, through the orchard as he ran, "Sir,

Axe me no question," loudly cried,

"And I will make you a long answer."

His father led him by the ear

To his father's den of sin,

"Now, George," he said, in tones severe,

"Who's chopped that Cherry Tree to

pieces?"

The boy an instant looks around,

And at his father's angry frown,

Across that memory-haunted ground

The negro gardener, Ike, or Isaac.

Brief space was his for thought; he saw,

Unless he fished, he'd surely catch it;

"I cannot tell a lie, papa!"

"Ike cut it with my little Hatchet!"

"My dear, dear child, come to my knees—

To tell me what you know!"

You lied like ten Tom Ochilreys!

Thus spoiled them Cherries," cried his

father.

He placed the boy across his lap,

Now then did he lift him before he

Had an appeal, with leather strap,

Made to him a pateroster.

And so when George was President,

And first in peace and first in war, he

Lied no more than was necessary.

G. T. L.

New York, February, 1876.

Original Story.

(Written for the Transcript.)

ELSIE LEE.

"I wish I could write," exclaimed

Elsie Lee as she smoothed her glossy

brown hair with one hand, and glanced

toward her sister with a smile half

confident, half doubting.

"Well, I was wondering whether

your cogitations were tending, for

thought I've noticed several remarks

within the last half hour, none of them

seemed sufficiently interesting to recall

you to earth, and earthly things,"

quietly answered Lulu.

"I'm all attention now, sister."

"I'm not," said Lulu, "You have

at last unsealed your heart. You thought

to surprise me but were unsuccessful

this time. The only wonder to me is

that you have not attempted it sooner."

"You speak, Lulu, as though you

believed I've matured several remarks

into becoming an author. If so,

you have certainly suspected the truth,

but how have I betrayed my secret? I

am sure, quite sure I have never spoken

of it to any one. Do you then not

think my scheme a wild one?"

"As a school girl, Elsie, I had great

faith in your ability to write a composi-

tion on any subject, and at the shortest

possible notice. You will remember

many of our schoolmates at Oakwood

Seminary shared your sentiments. You

never seemed to think it a trouble to

write for us, hesitating only to warn us

that it would be far better for us to

spend a little more time and thought on

it ourselves. It must have been a

weary head which lay on your pillow

on Friday nights, far more so than

many of us thoughtless school girls

guessed, after commencing, finishing,

revising and sometimes writing the

whole of an essay for some dull girl

who could not comprehend her subject.

And, Elsie, I have sometimes heard you

say what a glorious thing it would be

to write a book."

"It would be folly to attempt a book

Lulu; that I am quite sure is far be-

yond my ability."

It was night at Willow Grove, the

home of Elsie and Lulu Lee. Their

father both mentally and physically

wearied had sought his couch and was

now locked in the embrace of Morpheus.

The sisters were seated in the sitting-

room watching the dying embers in the

old fashioned grate that chilly spring

evening. The room, though bright and

cozy, had no pretence to elegance. Mr.

Lee had once been a prosperous farmer

but the scale of fortune had turned and

it was with difficulty that both ends

were made to meet. His daughters

had enjoyed good educational advan-

tages; and it may safely be asserted,

none ever appreciated them more.

Their reduced circumstances made it

necessary to economize in every way,

shape and form. "But we must earn

something," said Lulu. Lulu announced

her determination to take a few music

scholarships. Elsie fixed her bright blue

eyes on the glowing embers without

seeming to see them, and leaning her

head on her hand sat lost in a deep

reverie which ended in the exclamation,

"I wish I could write!"

"Then you deem it advisable to at-

tempt a story, Lulu. The first thing

to be considered is the sort of story to

be written."

"Oh!" answered Lulu, with a mis-

chievous smile, "write about the con-

quests of some fascinating belle; tell

of the many hearts she has crushed, and

how, at last, Cupid's arrow buries itself

in her own heart and the little blind

god laughs triumphantly."

"Lulu, you know," exclaimed Elsie

severely, "you know my opinion of lit-

erature. No one shall ever be encour-

aged in such folly by anything I shall

have written."

"Why did you change your tone so

quickly?" asked Lulu.

"At first," replied Elsie, "I was

exasperated, then considering you were

only teasing I concluded not to give you

the scolding you deserved." As Elsie

spoke the color deepened in her cheeks,

and Lulu declared herself unsatisfied

with the explanation. "There must be

something else; what is it? You shall

keep no secrets from me, Miss Elsie," she

added playfully. The flush mounted to

Elsie's temples now, and she vainly tried

to conceal her confusion for she was not

skilled in the art of deception. A vague

sense of the truth flashed on Lulu's

mind, and she laughingly exclaimed,

"Elsie, beautiful Elsie, it is possible that

you have ever flirted! Not with Mr.

Howard?" Elsie gave her a look of

unutterable astonishment, then point-

ing to the clock said, "See it is getting

late." Her tone sounded a little offend-

ed and her sister quickly replied, "Je

vons demande pardon, I did not sup-

pose you would attempt a flirtation with

him, and as the thought of it seems to

shock you, so I must confess I am

greatly puzzled. Now, sister, relieve

me from suspense."

"Not to-night Lulu; I should have

said that indefatigable messenger of his

to shake poppies over my eyes, and I

can keep them open no longer."

"You have at least acknowledged my

suspicions have some foundation. I will

await your convenience to hear the

story, and before you know it, I will

be in dreamland, thus proving that one

of our sex can sleep with unsatisfied

curiosity."

CHAPTER 2d.

The house at Willow Grove stood on

a slight eminence commanding a fine

view of the surrounding country. East-

ward lay the picturesque village of D—

A noisy brook crossed the road

which led to the village and was

spanned by a rustic bridge with seats

on either side serving as delightful rest-

ing places in summer. The morning

following the disclosure of Elsie's cher-

ished desire dawned bright and clear.

Nature was clothed in a dress of the

freest green, and the air laden with

the fragrance of May flowers. Elsie and

Lulu stood on the low porch, which ran

round three sides of the house, admir-

ing the scene which lay before them.

A grassy bank sloped down from the

porch to a low stone wall which sepa-

rated the yard from the meadow. This

wall was almost concealed by woodbine

and other vines which trailed over it.

A short distance beyond the wall stood

a grove of willow trees, whence the

brook received its name. Through the

trees might be seen the sparkling little

brook splashing along over its stony

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L. H. LANE, ASSISTANT LOCAL EDITOR.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUG. 5, 1876.

LOCAL AND STATE AFFAIRS.

Items of Local Interest.

Depredations by tramps are reported from
the upper portion of the county.

Watermelons, both home raised and im-
ported, have been on the market for some two
weeks but the price still keeps up.

The Wilmington police made 137 arrests
during the month of June, of which 45 were
for drunkenness. Wilmington whiskey must
be very bad.

Some Wilmington workmen found a brick
in an old wall, a few days ago, with the
figure 1776 marked on it. Of course it must
go to the Philadelphia show.

The Governor has reappointed James M.
Watson, Esq., of Wilmington Justice of the
Peace and Notary Public, for seven years.

Henry Davis, Esq., an executor, will have
an auction sale of the personal property of
Isaac Cook, col'd, late of Appoquinimink
Hundred, deceased, on Thursday next, 10th
inst.

The First National Bank of Milford has
bought \$54,000 worth of bonds to secure its
circulation. This was the first instalment
and ten per cent. additional is required to be
deposited each month until all their capital is
deposited.

Forest Presbyterian Church.

This church will (D. V.) be open for Divine
service to-morrow (Sunday) morning at the
usual hour. Rev. G. W. Kennedy will officiate.

Election To-day.

The Democratic election for the adoption or
rejection of the new rules of the party, in this
county, will take place to-day. All Demo-
crats should vote for or against them.

Corner Stone Laying.

The corner stone of the new M. E. Church
at Summit Bridge will be laid on Friday
afternoon next with services appropriate to
the occasion. The public are cordially in-
vited to attend the ceremonies.

Real Estate Sale.

J. H. Thomas, real estate agent at Milling-
ton, Md., has sold for Hamilton Morton, Esq.,
of this town, a farm in Queen Anne county,
Md., containing 175 acres, to Wm. J. Bain-
berger, of Pennsylvania, for \$5000.

Blackbird Camp Meeting.

The managers of this camp have decided to
continue it over next Sunday. Rev. J. F.
Morrell, of N. J., will preach at 10 o'clock in
the morning, and Rev. L. C. Matlack, D. D.,
of Middletown, at 3 in the afternoon.

The Laurel Fair.

The Board of Directors of the Laurel Pen-
insula Agricultural and Mechanical Associa-
tion have decided to hold their third annual
exhibition on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
and Friday, October 17th, 18th, 19th and
20th, next.

Trains Taken Off.

On August 1st, the Delaware train which
leaves Wilmington at 5:50 a. m. and the P. W.
& B. train which leaves Wilmington at 7:40
a. m. was withdrawn. The 5:50 a. m. train
from Delmar over the Delaware R. R., and the
6:30 a. m. train from Wilmington over the
P. W. & B. R. will stop at all stations on
both sides. An additional train will be run
between New Castle and Wilmington, leaving
New Castle at 7:35 a. m.

Business Change.

Mr. Clarence Anderson has sold all his in-
terests, including the stock and fixtures and
store-house, in the drug store lately kept by
him in Middletown to Dr. Addison, who will
continue the business. During his brief sojourn
in Middletown Mr. Anderson made many
friends who will part with him with regret.
The new proprietor is a physician and
skilled pharmacist, and the business will
not suffer in his hands. We wish him success.

Warning to Smokers.

On Sunday evening last a young man near
Portsmouth, called on some ladies. He was
smoking a cigar at the time, and while
standing near one of the ladies, knocked the
ashes from it. A spark, it seems, lodged in
the folds of the lady's dress, and the wind
fanning it, it was soon ablaze, and, although
the young man threw a heavy piece of carpet
around her, her dress was destroyed, her un-
derclothing scorched, and her right shoulder
blistered. The affair created quite an excite-
ment in the neighborhood.—Sawford Citizen.

The Laborer's Meeting.

Martin Farrell's meetings have been broken
up. Mayor Whitney attended the last one
and informed Mr. Farrell and his audience
that the meetings must be stopped, and that
they couldn't hold any more of them. Mr.
Farrell undertook to order the mayor out of
the hall, but his Honor threatened him with
arrest, if any trouble occurred, and that ended
that part of it. The great would-be com-
mune leader then made a lengthy harangue
after the meeting was adjourned to meet no
more. Who will care for Martin now?

Delaware College.

The annual circular of our State institution
has just been issued. The next collegiate
year will begin on September 6th. The
regular faculty remains, as heretofore, com-
posed of President Purnell, Professors Porter,
Mackey, Wolf, and Jeffries. There are three
courses of study—the Classical, the Scientific
and Agricultural, and the Literary. The
circular submits an estimate of expenses for
the collegiate year of 38 weeks, as follows:—
Board, (\$3 per week), \$114; tuition \$10;
room and incidental, \$20; total \$144. This
is extremely moderate. Students are re-
quested to provide their own books, and
fuel for their private rooms will be furnished
at cost. Students who receive the scholar-
ship appointments, (which may be had of
members of the State Legislature,) are re-
lieved from the tuition charge, reducing their
annual estimate to \$134.

Depredations by Tramps.

A large corps of the grand army of these
annual invaders has been for some time en-
camped near the Delmaria factory, whence
they make foraging raids upon the cornfields,
potato patches and fruit orchards of the
neighborhood—interspersed with an occa-
sional night attack upon barns, etc. Mr.
E. R. Cochran, whose lands adjoin the place
of their encampment, is probably the heaviest
victim of the depredations of these peripatetic
thieves in the vicinity. Growing tired of this
destruction of his property, he has been forced
to station watchmen over his fields, and on
Thursday, by a sudden raid his overseer, Mr.
Matthews, managed to catch one of the rascals,
though his companions by a hasty flight
managed to escape. He took his prisoner
before Justice Walker, who committed him to
New Castle for thirty days on a charge of
vagrancy and larceny.

A Man Assautes His Wife and then She

His Two Step-sons for Interfering.

Last Saturday night about 10 o'clock a
serious stabbing affray occurred on Orange
street, between Second and Third, growing
out of domestic infelicity and resulted in the
placing of one man in the cells to await a
trial for attempted murder, and the total de-
struction of the happiness of a heretofore quiet
household. The facts of the case are about
as follows: For several days past James S.
Hazzard, a married man, whose residence is
at 231 Orange street, has been keeping the
company of a dissipated character named
Ellis Rans, an inmate of a house of ill-fame
in the neighborhood of Second and Orange.
This, of course, was objected to by Hazzard's
wife, but without any good effect, and only
served to make the guilty parties more brazen
in their indecent intimacy, and Saturday
night they paraded the street in front of Haz-
zard's residence while his wife was sitting in
the door. She again remonstrated with him
this time with seeming effect, as he quietly
left the woman and walked back with his
wife to the door where, however, he began to
assault her, pushing her into the door, mean-
while using vile and abusive language. Mr.
Hazzard's two sons, by a former husband,
came to her rescue, and were immediately at-
tacked by Hazzard with a penknife. One he
cut in the back, just below the right shoulder
blade, producing a wound about four inches
long and half an inch deep. The other young
man was stabbed twice, once in the arm
above the elbow and then in the left side un-
der the arm, and near the left shoulder blade,
the knife penetrating to a depth of three
inches. The wounds were all dressed by Dr.
West and he pronounced the last one very
ugly indeed, but says that with proper care
no serious results need be feared. Officer
Watkins arrested Hazzard about 11 o'clock
Saturday night at Second and Orange and
took him to the police station where he was
given a hearing on Sunday morning on the
charge of assault and battery with intent to
kill. He was held in \$1,500 for his appear-
ance at court, in default of which he was
committed.—Every Evening.

Democratic Meeting.

A Democratic mass meeting and pole rais-
ing was held at Townsend on Saturday last.
As the camp meeting at Blackbird was in
progress, but a small number were present.
The hotel was decorated and a stand arranged
in front of it.

At 2 o'clock the large hickory pole, pre-
pared by Samuel Townsend and others, was
cut at the corner of the hotel of Wm. B.
Hollis, and a large flag hoisted thereon amid
loud cheering.

At 3 o'clock the meeting was called to order
by appointing James Kanely, Esq., president.
Mr. Samuel Townsend then addressed the
meeting, and spoke in warm terms of Tilden
and Hendricks, recommending them elector-
ally and good financiers. If they are elected,
we shall have good government, plenty of
work for the unemployed and confidence in
business circles restored. He then spoke of
the Democratic Rules for this county which
are to be voted upon to-day. They are the
work of depositions who wish to control the
appointments of Levy Court Commissioners and
Representatives. Such tyranny over a party
was never heard of before. Why, the negroes
are allowed to vote for a choice of men to fill
these offices on the Republican side, while we
white Democrats are debarred that privilege.

Let us go to the polls next Saturday in a body
and vote down these rules.

Wm. Reynolds, Esq., was then introduced
and spoke for a short time on the issues of the
present campaign, saying that he considered
it of as much importance as that of a hundred
years ago, when America threw off the yoke
of tyranny that England put upon her. He
could not speak too highly of the candidates
of the Democratic party. They were true re-
presentatives of Reform, and "reform" was
the watchword of 1876.

At the conclusion of Mr. R.'s remarks, John
O'Brien, Esq., not having arrived, the meet-
ing adjourned.

Maryland Affairs.

A camp meeting commenced at Chincoteague
Island on August 5th and will continue
until the 17th. During its continuance the
annual "horse penning" will take place.
Excursion trains will be run over the Wor-
cester Railroad on the day of the penning.

A project is on foot to extend the Worces-
ter Railroad from New Castle, to Newburg,
on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, to Newville,
Va. The record says it is much talked of by
the company and will probably be put in
operation at an early day.

Centerville has progressed so far with its
proposed town hall, market house, and Odd
Fellows hall as to get out the plans and now
proposals for the erection of the building are
invited. The building is to be 36x71, and
three stories high.

Queen Anne and Talbot can't agree about
Kent Narrows, and both sides are about to
rush into court. The commissioners of the
two counties met last week, but reached
nothing only a determination to disagree.

They have an original way of dissolving
partnership in Snow Hill. When things go
unsatisfactorily the strongest partner seizes the
weakest and flings him out doors, and busi-
ness moves serenely on.

On Monday last a little colored girl,
daughter of Peter Hammond, near Salisbury,
and her neck broken by the overturning of
her father's cart, in which she was riding.

The beach birds are returning to the
marshes, and good shooting is promised in a
week or two about Snow Hill and along the
Atlantic beach.

The Princess Anne people refresh them-
selves by a drive around the track on the fair
grounds, and think it fashionable.

Princess Anne is a green spot in these dull
times. New houses are constantly going up,
so the local papers report.

A heavy water melon crop is the burden of
the song from Somerset.

The sixteenth fair of the St. Louis
Agricultural and Mechanical Association
will open October 2. The pre-
mium list amounts to \$50,000.

The Brooklyn Mercantile Library
now contains 52,473 volumes, large
additions having been made to it in the
course of the last year.

The Democratic Rules.

Rule 1. A county meeting of the Democratic
citizens of New Castle county shall be held on
Saturday in May, at the Court House, in New
Castle, at 2 o'clock, p. m. Notice of such
meeting shall be given at least two weeks
prior to the time of meeting by a call pub-
lished in the Democratic papers of the county,
signed by the chairman of the last county
meeting. He shall also call the meeting to
order, and in case of his absence any one of
the Vice Presidents present in the order in
which they were appointed, shall call the
meeting to order.

Resolved, That our late worthy Master by
his uniform kindness and happy disposition
always added very materially to social pleas-
ures resulting from our association.

Resolved, That the loss of our late brother
has left a void which we feel cannot be sat-
isfactorily filled by any of his remaining
brothers.

Resolved, That we tender to the family of
the deceased our sincere condolences, feeling
our loss however great, is without a com-
parison to their loss and heart-broken bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions
be sent to the Trustees and Farmers' Union
with the request they be given publication.
H. A. NEWLAND, Sec.

Sensible Advice.

You are asked every day through the col-
umns of newspapers and by your druggist to
use something for Dyspepsia and Liver Com-
plaint that you know middle-aged people are
discouraged spending money with little suc-
cess. Now to give you satisfactory proof that
Green's August Flower will cure you of
Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint with little
trouble, and without the use of any other
medicines, such as Sour Stomach, Sick Head-
ache, Habitual constipation, palpitation of the
Heart, Heartburn, and indigestion, and a
prong of the old Paw Paw branch 205 6-10
perches to a stone near the run of said branch,
a corner for Wright, lands of Andrew W.
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Agricultural.

Improving Pastures.

The *Logsdon Farmer* says: "The quality of our pastures can be improved by the use of manure, and be made to carry an extra quantity of stock. What ever turn agriculture may take in the future, the present stage in its history must be productive of permanent good. Grass land was being neglected. All the manure made on the farm or purchased from the manufacturer was generally applied to crops of roots or of grain. The pastures were allowed to take care of themselves. Now, however, farmers are beginning to understand that in no way can manure be applied with more direct certainty of obtaining good results than by its application to grass land. Corn may be unduly forced. During a wet season a heavy manuring of the soil may result in a great deal of straw and but a small yield of good sound grain. But, also, may run to leaf at the expense of bulb. And even should the bulbs grow to a large size, they lack in quality from being forced by heavy dressings of manure. But inasmuch as abundance of blade, not of seed, is the prime object in the cultivation of grass land, any manure applied, and which takes effect, can only take effect in an increase of the blade in the direction most desirable to the farmer. The manuring of grass land has not been as popular as manuring land for corn, because, although as we have pointed out, manure applied to pastures is more certain in its results than when applied to roots or corn, still the benefits derived from improving pastures are not quite so apparent to the farmer as the increase in bulk of his turkeys or when cattle are turned into the pastures and shifted about from one field to another as a fresh bite is obtained, and there is thus a difficulty in assessing the true results. The farmer, of course, knows the land is improved, but he does not exactly know by how much. The increase, except in the case of hay, cannot be measured or weighed, as his corn is, after harvest. The improvement, however, is none the less real and must inevitably tell in the long run on his ledger accounts. It is satisfactory to know, therefore, that the proper management of grass land is at present engaging the general attention of agriculture throughout the country."

CELLARS.—There is no more fruitful source of disease in country houses than the cellar. Always more or less damp, containing vegetables in a partially decayed state, gases and vapors are generated which are very unhealthy, and the only outlet of which is too often the living-rooms of the house. Fortunately, in towns, the cellar is not ordinarily used to any great extent as a store-house for vegetables; but it is frequently made the receptacle of all kinds of rubbish, the accumulation of which is anything but wholesome to the dwellers in the house. Great care should be taken to ventilate the cellar thoroughly through windows opened out of doors. By placing them on the opposite sides of the cellar, and opening them on warm days, the air within will be rapidly purified. It should be remembered that material diseases often proceed from decaying organic substances in the cellar.

WATERMELON RIND PRESERVE.—Pare off the outside green rind, and lay it in cold water for four hours; then change the water, and put it on to boil. There should be enough of this fresh water to cover the fruit well. As soon as it has boiled five minutes take it off and put the rind in ginger tea, where it must remain all night. The next morning put it on in fresh ginger tea, and let it boil until you can run a straw through the pieces. Take the rind out of the water and cut it into small pieces an inch or two in length. Add the juice and rind of four lemons, and some sliced white-race-ginger for one large melon. Put one pound of sugar to one pound of fruit, and boil them together for one hour. The lemon peel should be cut thin, and boiled with the rind in ginger tea. Carefully remove the seeds from the slices of lemon, lend a better taste be imparted to the preserve.

TO DRESS RAW TOMATOES.—Few persons take the little trouble it requires to make this common dish palatable. In the first place carefully remove the peelings, either after searing the fruit, or with a knife if time does not allow of their becoming perfectly cold before being used. Only perfectly ripe tomatoes should ever be eaten raw. Slice thin, and sprinkle generously with salt, more sparingly with black pepper, and to a dish holding one quart add a light tablespoonful of sugar to give a piquant zest to the whole. Lastly, add a gill of best cider vinegar; although, if you would have a dish yet better suited to please an epicurean palate, you may add a teaspoonful of made mustard and two tablespoonfuls of rich sweet cream.

THERE'S FARMING FOR YOU!—What do you think of an unbroken furrow six miles long? That's what you can find any day by going to Elm River, where Messrs. Dalrymple and Grandin are breaking prairie. The teams start in the morning and make one round across an entire township and back (twelve miles) before dinner, and the same in the afternoon—twenty-four miles travel for each team every day. All for wheat next year. —*Pargo (Cal.) Times.*

Cucumbers will grow on a trellis as readily as grapes. A few vines can be grown occupying but very little space. Tomatoes also may be trained up greatly to the advantage of the crop, which is injured by lying flat on the ground.

A single field of Grimes co., Texas, contains 12,000 acres all under fence without a cross fence in it; 10,000 acres are in cultivation. Nearly the entire field belongs to one man, who rents it out to tenants at \$2 per acre.

Wireworms in gardens may be trapped by placing slices of potatoes slightly covered in the soil. These should be visited every morning, and all the worms collected underneath gathered up and killed.

In agriculture, as in other matters, you must invest a capital before you can get an interest or profit. That capital may be in labor, or money, or manure.

The farmer can live without the favor of the public. The crops depend upon his own industry and upon the gentle rains and dew sent from heaven.

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John A. Reynolds.

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MASONIC.

ADONIRAM CHAPTER NO. 5, R. A. M. Meets in Masonic Hall on the second and fourth Fridays of every month at 8 o'clock. **UNION LODGE NO. 5, F. A. M.** Meets on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at 8 o'clock. **MASONIC HALL.** Meets every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Lodge room in the Town Hall.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

DAMON LODGE NO. 13. Meets every Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Lodge room in the Town Hall.

I. O. O. F.

GOOD SAMARITAN LODGE NO. 9. Meets every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Lodge room in Cochran Hall, No. 2, Cochran Square.

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MIDDLETOWN B. & L. ASSOCIATION.—Samuel Penington, Pres.; A. G. Cox, Secretary. Meets on the first Thursday of every month at 8 o'clock. **MUTUAL LOAN ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLETOWN.**—Jas. H. Soward, Pres.; A. G. Cox, Secretary. Meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 8 o'clock.

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Express trains going North leave at 7.07 a.m. and 7.34 a.m. going South at 10.42 a.m. and 1.34 a.m. Freight trains with passenger car attached, going North, leave at 8.05 p.m.; going South, at 2.40 a.m.

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Office Hours.—Opens at 6.30 a.m. and closes at 9 p.m. every day except Sunday. Mails for the North close at 8.15 a.m. and 3.40 p.m. Mails for the South close at 10.15 a.m. and 3.40 p.m. Mails for Odessa close at 10.23 a.m. and 3.40 p.m. Mails for Warwick, Sassafras and Cecilton close at 10.23 a.m.

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Stage for Odessa, with U. S. Mail, leaves shortly after arrival of the 10.43 a.m. and 8.52 p.m. mail trains. Stages for Warwick, Sassafras and Cecilton leave shortly after arrival of the 10.43 a.m. mail train.

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All persons wishing to get the worth of their money will do well to give us a call.

M. L. HARCASTLE, with

S. R. STEPHENS & CO.

1776 POPULAR CORNER. 1876

GREAT REDUCTION

IN PRICES!

TREMENDOUS SUCCESS.

All hall year people, far and near, Of Popcorn you now shall hear: With goods piled up from door to door, And sold for less than heretofore.

Just received, a large and well selected assortment of Spring DRESS GOODS for ladies' wear, at greatly reduced prices; French and American

Cloths and Cassimeres for men's and boys' wear, very cheap; 300 pieces of Choice

New Prints from 5 to 8 cts. per yard. The best makes of bleached and brown MUSLINS, Table Linen, Flannels, &c., kept constantly on hand and sold at prices to suit the times. The largest assortment of LADIES' SHOES in town. Hosiery, Gloves, Ties, Handkerchiefs, Trimmings and Edgings generally in great variety. The grocery department will bear inspection as to quality and prices.

Agency for Messrs. Demorest's reliable Patterns of Fashion.

But we'll not tax your minds any longer by telling Of the many cheap goods we are now selling, But come and see all and all come in time, To the Popular Corner of G. W. F. Naudin.

Middletown, Del.

Apr 22-11.

Register's Orders.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER'S OFFICE, New Castle County, June 5th, 1876. Upon the application of SARAH F. SWANSON, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said County, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Administrator aforesaid give notice of the granting of Letters of Administration upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters, in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the Estate to present the same or abide an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the *Middletown Transcript*, a newspaper published in Middletown, and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written. S. C. BIGGS, Register.

NOTICE.

All persons having claims against the Estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the Administrator on or before June 5th, 1877, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

S. F. SHALCROSS, Administrator.

Address—Middletown, Del. jan17-2m

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER'S OFFICE, New Castle County, July, 1876. Upon the application of HENRY DAVIS, Executor of the Estate of CAROL CAULK, late of Appoquinimink Hundred in said County, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Executor aforesaid give notice of the granting of Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters, in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the Estate to present the same or abide an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the *Middletown Transcript*, a newspaper published in Middletown, and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written. S. C. BIGGS, Register.

NOTICE.

All persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the Executor on or before the 5th of July, 1877, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

HENRY DAVIS, Executor.

Address—Middletown, Del. jan15-2m

Job Printing.

PRINTING!

Transcript Office,

MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

BOOK, CARD AND GENERAL

JOB PRINTING.

Having just added another supply of new and hand-some types to our stock, we are now better than ever before prepared to execute promptly, neatly and at moderate prices

Job Printing of Every Description

—SUCH AS—

CARDS,

CIRCULARS,

BILL HEADS,

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CHEQUES,

NOTES,

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DODGERS, AND

COMMERCIAL PRINTING

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—WE ALSO PRINT—

PAMPHLETS,

PROGRAMMES,

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CATALOGUES,

REPORTS, Etc., Etc.

And cordially invite all persons who may have need of any of these articles to call upon us, or to favor us with a call and learn our prices. We give special attention to the printing of

POSTERS,

SALE BILLS,

Etc., which for attractiveness and beauty we think cannot be surpassed, if equalled, anywhere else. Having every facility for the prosecution of the

PRINTING BUSINESS,

in all its varied details we respectfully solicit the patronage of our friends and the public.

OUR PRESSES

are the latest improved kind while our stock of display TYPES, CUTS, &c., cannot be surpassed by any office on the peninsula. Employing skilled workmen and giving our own personal and constant attention to our business, we feel satisfied of our ability to give satisfaction to all who may favor us with orders, and to give an examination of the style and quality of our work.

Orders by mail, or otherwise, will receive prompt attention.

E. REYNOLDS.

Willow Grove Mill,

LATE DRUMMOND'S.

The undersigned would notify the public that he has taken the above mill, thoroughly overhauled and repaired it and with a competent and practical miller feels satisfied that he can give entire satisfaction to all who may give him their patronage. He is prepared to buy grain at market rates or to store it for farmers, having lately erected bins for that purpose. Will deliver Flour to the citizens of Middletown and Odessa, or at any reasonable distance in the vicinity. Prompt attention given to Grist Work so that people bringing grain to the mill to be ground will have but a short time to wait. jan13-3m J. B. FENNORE.

SALE BILLS

Neatly Printed at this Office.

New Advertisements.

Baugh's

GROUND BONES,

ACIDS AND CHEMICALS

FALL SEEDING.

LOWER PRICES.

SAMPLES SENT FREE.

ANALYSIS GUARANTEED.

EXAMINE AND CHOOSE

FROM THE FOLLOWING

Old Established Articles.

BAUGH'S

GROUND RAW BONES.

GUARANTEED PURE.

In Bags on board of Cars at works at the following Cash Prices:

100 Tons and over, \$30.00 per Ton.

50 " " 99 Tons, 31.00 " "

30 " " 49 " 32.00 " "

10 " " 29 " 33.00 " "

1 " " 9 " 34.00 " "

This Bone is Ground Pure, is not steamed or baked, and the solid bone has not been selected from it.

PHILADELPHIA

GROUND BONES

In Bags on board of Cars at Works, at the following Cash Prices:

100 Tons and over, \$30.00 per Ton.

50 " " 99 Tons, 31.00 " "

30 " " 49 " 32.00 " "

10 " " 29 " 33.00 " "

1 " " 9 " 34.00 " "

GUARANTEED ANALYSIS:

Ammonia, from 3 to 4 per cent.

Bone Phosphate, from 42 to 45 " "

No. 1

Fine Ground Bones,

GUARANTEED ANALYSIS:

Ammonia, from 3 to 4 per cent.

Phosphoric Acid, from 14 to 17 " "

Bone Phosphate of Lime, 33 to 37 " "

This article is ground very fine, and is noted for its quick action, and can be bought at the following reduced prices, free on board vessel at our Philadelphia Works:

100 Tons and over, \$28.00 per Ton, 2000 lbs.

50 " " 99 Tons,